SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 807

By Ketron

A RESOLUTION to commend Thomas Kyle Turner for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Kyle Turner is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Senator Bill Ketron; Kyle's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a senior at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville (UT-K), where he is highly regarded by his peers, Kyle has achieved academic success while majoring in political science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Kyle has distinguished himself as a Baker Scholar at the Howard Baker Center for Public Policy, an editor and writer for *The Daily Beacon*, a member of the Academic Affairs Committee, Issues Committee, and Student Judiciary Board at UT-K, and an intern for the United States Senate Sergeant at Arms; and

WHEREAS, he will graduate with honors from UT-K in May 2012, and attend the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis this fall; he hopes to one day pursue a career in criminal law; and

WHEREAS, a native of Memphis, Kyle is the son of proud parents, Thomas and Sandra Turner; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Kyle brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2012 session of the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Hill, Kyle has demonstrated an affinity for greeting his colleagues and responding to simple questions in any language other than English, and he has earned the acclaim of his peers as likely the least politically active person who is interested in politics; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2012 legislative session, Kyle has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Turner has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Thomas Kyle Turner for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Bill Ketron and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.